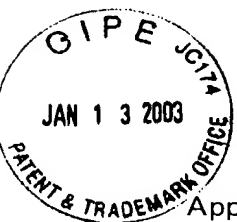


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Georg BURKHARDT et al.
Title: PULLEY
Appl. No.: 09/673,135
Appl. Filing Date: October 11, 2000
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[X] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on December 12, 2002.

b. Enclosed are:

[X] Petition for Extension of Time.

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The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)				\$750.00	\$750.00
Total Claims:	44	44	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents:	3	3	= 0	x \$84.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$280.00	=	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$750.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	\$0.00
[X]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$410.00	\$300.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$300.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1050.00
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$525.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$525.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$525.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[X] The Extension for response filed within the first month was paid on December 12, 2002.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Date January 13, 2003
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